(iv) The anti-explosive capabilities and bomb detection and disposal capabilities of various headquarters units of Central Paramilitary Forces and NSG have been refurbished by acquisition of sniffer dog-squads, bomb-detection and disposal equipment etc. and by intensive training being imparted to CPMF personnel.

(v) A watch is kept on known hide-outs of militants, Guest Houses, hotels sarais etc. and a special watch is kept on neighbourhoods having a concentration of people from the States of origin of the militants.

(vi) Verification of new tenants.

राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग संख्या 3 की मरम्मत का कार्य किया जाना

2482. **श्री राधा किशन मालवीय:** क्या जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार को राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग संख्या 3 की खराब हालत की जानकारी है;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि उपरोक्त राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग को मरम्मत की आवश्यकता है और विशेष रूप से मध्य प्रदेश के इंदौर और मऊ के हिस्सों को मरम्मत की आवश्यकता है; और

(ग) यदि हाँ, तो इस संबंध में क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम॰ राजशेखर मूर्ति): (क) जी, हां।

(ख और (ग) मध्य प्रदेश में राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग सं॰ 3 जो इंदौर और मऊ से भी गुजरता है, को यातायात योग्य स्थिति में बनाए रखने के लिए उपलब्ध निधियों के अंतर्गत आवश्यक मरम्मत की जा रही है।

Maintaining Secrecy by Private Cellualar Subscribers

2483. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that private cellular phone operators are likely to seeks total secrecy for cellular subscribers;

(b) whether it is incumbent upon the DOT, under the licencing contract, to allow the private cellular operators to protect the identity of their subscribers;

(c) whether it a fact the users of cellular phones, travel to others circles and make use of their equipment for using more than one channel while paying for one channel only; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that cellular subscribers route their calls through basic network and pay just 70 paise instead of the stipulated Rs. 1.40 and if so, what measures are being taken by DOT to prevent this misuse?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) No, Sir. The Cellular Phone Operators cannot seek total secrecy for cellular subscribers.

(b) No, Sir, Ordinarily the Cellualr Operators will not divulge the identity of their subscribers. However, they are bound by the Licincing Contract to supply the information to the Telecom, Authority as and when required by it.

(c) The exact charging mechanism will depend upon the roaming agreement between the Cellualr Operators. The Operators on their part are required to pay full access charges to the DOT for the use of its network.

(d) No, Sir, the Cellular Opeators are not permitted to route their calls through Basic Service Network of another private Telecom, Operator. However, if cellualr calls are routed through Basic Network of a private Operator, these calls will be routed on a separate Trunk

Group for identifying them as Cellular calls. The cellular Operators will have to pay full access charges i.e. Rs. 1.40 per unit to DOT.

Incentives to Staff Working at Sales Counter

2484. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether incentives are being paid as per the existing policy of Government to improve efficiency of staff working at sales counters of the post offices;

(b) the number of incentive claims and since when these are pending with the various divisions in Delhi circle of the postal department; and

(c) whether Government propose to disburse incentive claims regularly during the first week of the following month in which it becomes due?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 12 incentive claims pertaing to October and November, 1995 are pending in New Delhi West Divison and incentives for three months pertaining to booking of Speed Post articles are pending in New Delhi Sorting Division.

(c) Constant efforts are made to disburse incentive claims at the earliest possible. Due to operational constraints like checking of bills, shortage of funds, shortage of staff, late receipt of claims etc; it is some times not possible to clear bills early.

Radio Interference in Transmission of Messages in Dibrugarh

2485. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that telepone subscirbers within 10—15 Kms. radius of All India Radio high powered transmitter at Kepetkatta near Dibrugarh cann't hear anything and communicate with anyone on phone due to strong radio interference; and

(b) if so, what remedial steps have been taken in this regard; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) 13 telephone connections are working at Lepetkatta, all on an overhead alignment. 11 connections are provided from Borborua exchange and 2 connections from Dibrugarh University Exchange. Radio interference has been observed on telephone lines working at Lepetkatta on overhead alignments.

(b) It is proposed to replace the Overhead alignment by Underground cables between Borborua exchange to Lepetkatta and to transfer 11 telephones working at Lepetkatta to the underground cable. Remaining two telephone connections working from Dibrugarh University Exchange, will be transferred to Borborua exchange also to underground cable. The work is likely to be completed by March, 1996.

भारतीय तेल निगम लिमिटेड द्वारा परियोजनाओं में निवेश

2486. **श्री राम जेठमलानी:**
श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज:

क्या **पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारतीय तेल निगम